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1. Irkeshtam (N 39-41, E 73-55) has been considerably developed. Previously only a place where goods were exchanged for such items as cloth and metal articles produced in Fergana (N 40-23, E 71-46), the town has become a depot for arms and ammunition. There are a number of Russian technicians there, responsible for forwarding arms and ammunition to Kashgar.
2. The railroad has been extended from Andizhan (N 40-45, E 72-22) to Osh (N 40-32, E 72-40), and to Dzhalal-Abad (N 40-54, E 73-00) and Frunze.
3. From Frunze, one road runs to Alma Ata and another to Tokmak (N 42-50, E 75-18). The road goes from Tokmak to Lake Issyk-Kul, and from there branches go respectively to Naryn (N 41-26, E 76-00) and Kara-Kul.¹ Another road runs from Dzhalal-Abad to Naryn.
4. Copper, salt, sulphur, iron, and limestone are mined within 25 to 30 kilometers of Frunze. These mines are located in the Sosamir mountains.²
5. A lead mine is located in Koshkoltagh.³
6. A coal mine is located 35 to 40 kilometers from Fergana. The location is known as Kizyl-Kiya (N 40-15, E 72-08), and is to the south of the Issyk-Kul.
7. The garrison of Iskablol, stated to be another name for Fergana, numbers 10,000 Soviet Army men. The aerodrome is four kilometers northeast of Iskablol.⁴
8. A special military road, closed to civilians, has been built between Murgab (N 38-10, E 73-59) and Sufi-Kurgan (N 40-02, E 73-30).

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1. This may be the Kara-Kul located at (N 39-00, E 73-20), though it seems rather far away.
2. These are probably the Susamyr-Tau mountains, which are about 75 miles from Frunze.
3. Tagh means mountains or mountain range. There is a lake, Kosh-Kul (N 43-30, E 72-20), about 125 miles northwest of Frunze, but no mountain range by that name.
4. Another name for Fergana is Skobelevo.

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